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SUBJECT: GKR REALTIONS WITH EASTERN EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS

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- 1. THE FOLLOWING SITUATION REPORT OF GKR REALTIONS WITH EASTERN EUROPEAN GOVEYCMENTS HAS BEEN PROVIDED US BY FOREIGN MINISTRY SECRETARY GENERAL NGUON CHHAY KRY.
- 2. THE BURMESE AMBASSADOR, WHO OVER A MONTH AGO TOLD THE FOREIGN MINISTRY THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN ASKED BY THEOEOVIET UNION TO REJXWINT ITS INTERESTS HERE, INFORMED THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ON JANUARY 8 THAT HE HAD RECEIVED NO RESPONSE TO HIS MESSAGE FORWARDING A GKR REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION OF SOVIET INTENTIONS IN VIEW OF EARLIER ASSURANCES THAT RELATIONS WERE NOT BEING BROKEN SINCE SECRET

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THE BURMESE ARE NOW CLOSING THEIR EMBASSY HERE (SEPTEL),

THE MATTER IS BEING DROPPED. IN THE MEANTIME, THE SOVIET UNION REQUESTED AND RECEIVED GKR PERMISSION TO BRING IN AN "ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT" AND HIS WIFE, WHO HAVE ARRIVED AND ARE LIVING IN THE EMBASSY BUILDING. THIS BRINGS THE SOVIET "CARETAKER" STAFF TO FIVE, ONLY ONE OF WHOM POSSESSES A DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS RECEIVED NO INDICATIONS THAT THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT HWE CHANGED ITS ATTITUDE TOWARD THE GKR REPRESENTATION IN MOSCOW.

- 3. THE EAST GERMANY RETAIN AN ATTACHE. AS "CARETAKER" FOR THEIR BUILDING IN PHNOM PENH. HE HAS NOT BEEN ANSWERING THE TELEPHONE, HOWEVER. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY BELIEVES THE EAST GERMAN GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN COOPERATIVE IN PERMITONG THEM TO SET UP A SSHARATE OFFICE AFTER THE QUASI DEFECTION OF THEIR CHARGE IN EAST BERLING (REFTEL).
- 4. THE LAST CZECH REPRESENTATIVE IN PHNOM PENH LEFT ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO. ALTHOUGH HE INDICATED BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE THAT HE WOULD CONFIDE HIS GOVERNMENT'S PROPERTY HERE TO A LOCAL LAWYER, HE LEFT WITHOUT NOTIFYING THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OF THE IDENTITY OF THE LAWYER. IF THE BUILDING IS RENTED, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY WILL RECOMMEND IT BE TAXED AS PRIVATE PROPERTY. THE GKR IS, OFSCOURSE, ACCEDING TO THE CZECH REQUEST THAT IT WITHDRAW ITS REPRESENTATION FROM PRAGUE. THE FOREING MINISTRY WILL, HOWEVER, REQUEST THAT A SECOND SECRETARY BE PERMITTED TO REMAIN AS CARETAKER.
- 5. THE POLISH CHARGE D'AFFAIRES, A SECOND SECRETARY, APPLIED THIS WEEK FOR RENEWAL OF HIS VASA FOR ANOTHER YEAR. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS TAKEN THIS AS A SIGNAL THAT THE POLES DO NOT INTEND TO WITHDRAW THEIR EMBASSY STAFF. ENDERS

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